

Call for Proposals



Designing a New Course: Strategies for Philosophy Teachers

APA Eastern Division Meeting
January 3–6, 2018
Savannah, GA

The American Association of Philosophy Teachers (AAPT), in collaboration with the APA Committee on the Teaching of Philosophy (CTP), invites proposals for a Teaching Hub session planned for the Eastern Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association in Savannah, GA, January 3–6, 2018, on the topic of how philosophy teachers might prepare to teach a new course—that is, how philosophy teachers might do the following:

- plan for their very first set of courses;
- prepare to teach out of field;
- revamp a course to attract a broader range of students;
- convert a lower-level course to an upper-level course or vice versa;
- select topics that are contemporary, classic, and appealing;
- balance skill development versus coverage;
- efficiently review and select course materials;
- make room for new course design in an already busy work schedule;
- resuscitate a course afflicted by bad design;
- develop varied and meaningful assessment activities;
- arrange the course readings to tell a story; or
- distribute the course elements to best engage students;
- among other related topics.

Submissions:

To submit a proposal for consideration, **please email Alexandra Bradner (alexandrabradner@gmail.com) by Friday, September 1, 2017**, with the subject line “Designing a New Course 2018.” In the body of the email, please include your name, institutional affiliation (if any), position (if any), and contact information. Attached to the email, please include an anonymized abstract of 500–750 words (in .doc, .docx, or .pdf format), describing the focus of your presentation and what you hope the audience will take away from your presentation. The Teaching Hub aims to engage audience members as active participants, so we prefer presentations that capture this interactive spirit.

The organizing committee will select 3–4 participants for the session by mid-September and will aim to assemble a panel that is diverse in many respects, including career stage and institutional affiliation.

Deadline for Proposals: September 1, 2017

The AAPT-APA Teaching Hub is a series of interactive workshops and conversations designed specifically for philosophers and created to celebrate teaching within the context of the APA divisional meetings. Jointly organized by the APA Committee on the Teaching of Philosophy (CTP) and the American Association of Philosophy Teachers (AAPT), the Teaching Hub aims to offer a range of high-quality and inclusive development opportunities that address the teaching of philosophy at all levels, pre-college through graduate school.

For general information about the AAPT-APA Teaching Hub, please check out the [AAPT website](#) and [Facebook page](#) and the [CTP website](#) and [Facebook page](#). For more specific information about the Teaching Hub at the 2018 Eastern APA meeting in Savannah, GA, please contact Rebecca Scott (rebecca.g.scott@gmail.com).